

COMPLETE LISTING OF THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1 : (Currently Amended) An arrangement for establishing a logical relationship among a plurality of peripherals in a wireless local area network managed by a system manager, comprising:

a) a plurality of readable ~~identifier associated with each peripheral~~ identifiers respectively supported by the peripherals, each identifier being unique to a respective peripheral; and

b) a reader for reading the identifiers respectively ~~associated with~~ supported by selected peripherals during a set-up mode of system operation, and having a transceiver in wireless communication with the system manager for identifying the reader and each of the selected peripherals to advise the system manager of the establishment of the logical relationship among the selected peripherals.

Claim 2 : (Original) The arrangement of claim 1, wherein the reader includes a radio frequency transmitter for transmitting the identifiers at radio frequency to the system manager.

Claim 3 : (Original) The arrangement of claim 1, wherein the identifiers are indicia having parts of different light reflectivity, and wherein the reader includes a scanner for electro-optically reading the indicia.

Claim 4 : (Currently Amended) The arrangement of claim 3, wherein ~~the~~ each identifier includes a tag bearing an electro-optically readable indicium.

Claim 5 : (Original) The arrangement of claim 4, wherein the tag is an adhesive label on each peripheral, and wherein the indicium is a bar code symbol.

Claim 6 : (Original) The arrangement of claim 1, wherein the peripherals are supported on and by a user at discrete locations spaced apart from each other.

Claim 7 : (Original) The arrangement of claim 6, wherein the reader includes a housing supported on a finger of a hand of the user.

Claim 8 : (Original) The arrangement of claim 6, wherein the reader includes an actuator for controlling reading and transmission by the reader.

A¹ Claim 9 : (Original) The arrangement of claim 8, wherein the actuator includes a microphone for controlling reading and transmission by voice activation.

Claim 10 : (Currently Amended) The arrangement of claim 1, wherein the system manager is operative for generating an acknowledgment signal upon receipt of the identifiers transmitted by the reader; and wherein one of the peripherals is an auditory annunciator spaced from the reader, and being in wireless communication with the system manager, for receiving the acknowledgment signal and, upon receipt thereof, for producing an acknowledgment sound audible to a user and indicative that the system manager received the ~~identifies~~ identifiers transmitted by the reader.

Claim 11 : (Currently Amended) A method of establishing a logical relationship among a plurality of peripherals of a local area network managed by a system manager, comprising the steps of:

a) ~~associating a readable identifier with each peripheral~~ supporting a plurality of readable identifiers by the peripherals, each identifier being unique to a specific peripheral; and

b) reading the identifiers respectively ~~associated with~~ supported by selected peripherals with a reader during a set-up mode of system operation, and identifying the

reader and each of the selected peripherals by wireless communication to the system manager to advise the system manager of the establishment of the logical relationship among the selected peripherals.

Claim 12 : (Original) The method of claim 11, wherein the wireless communication is performed at radio frequency.

Claim 13 : (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, wherein ~~the~~ each identifier is an electro-optically readable indicium, and wherein the reading step is performed by an electro-optical reader.

a¹ Claim 14 : (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein the indicium is a bar code symbol, and wherein the ~~associating~~ supporting step is performed by placing the symbol on each peripheral.

Claim 15 : (Original) The method of claim 11; and further comprising the step of supporting the peripherals on a user at different locations spaced apart from each other.

Claim 16 : (Original) The method of claim 11; and further comprising the step of generating an acknowledgment signal upon receipt by the system manager of the identifiers transmitted by the reader, and the step of receiving the acknowledgment signal by an annunciator unit and producing an acknowledgment sound audible to a user and indicative that the system manager received the identifiers transmitted by the reader.

Claim 17 : (Currently Amended) An arrangement for preventing unwanted environmental noise from interfering with a voice command in a voice-controlled, data collection system supported by a user, comprising:

- a) a terminal for collecting data;

b) a voice controller proximally located near the user's mouth and operative for converting the voice command uttered by the user into an electrical command signal for controlling the terminal;

c) a background detector supported by the user and spaced away from the voice controller, for converting the noise into an electrical noise signal; and

d) a processor for receiving both signals as a composite signal, and for removing the noise signal from the composite signal to obtain the command signal for controlling the terminal.

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Claim 18 : (Original) The arrangement of claim 17, wherein the controller is a first microphone, and wherein the detector is a second microphone supported on the user away from the first microphone; and wherein the processor includes a comparator for subtracting the noise signal from the composite signal.

Claim 19 : (Currently Amended) A system for electro-optically reading indicia having parts of different light reflectivity, comprising:

a) an actuatable scanner for scanning the indicia;

b) a trigger operable by a user, for actuating the scanner to initiate the scanning; and

c) a biometric sensor on the trigger for authenticating the user.

Claim 20 : (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the biometric sensor is a fingerprint detector associated with the trigger so that a fingerprint impression is registered when the user presses a surface of the trigger with a finger of the user.